

torrent which leads ultimately to the Bonhomme track, but never goes near the true Col du Bonhomme—came to be given to that pass and to the track on the right bank of the Gitte torrent descending from it to La Gittaz and Beaufort.

While regarding Government maps as a standard authority to which it is often expedient to bow, at least in matters of nomenclature, we have much reason to know that they are far from infallible as representations of local usage, and I should not be surprised if enquiry on the spot proved that 'La Sausa,' or 'Sauce,' was a name applied to the whole highest basin of the Gitte, and, consequently, that all the tracks leading into it were at one time indiscriminately called 'Cols de la Sauce.' The native form of the word seems to be 'Sause,' which is quite a common local name in Savoy. This would be entirely in accordance with my general experience of the origin and growth of a local nomenclature in mountain regions.

The 'second Col de la Fenêtre' is not named on the maps, though its height is given as 2,246 m., but it is easily recognisable, and I have accordingly inserted it in what is otherwise a partial facsimile of the Carte Militaire. This col has also been a cause of confusion to editors. Murray (1891), p. 559, Rte. 139, says, 'From the base of the Chalet à la Barne a track mounts left to the Col de la Fenêtre, leading to Beaufort by the valley of the Haute Luce, and further on another col, approached by a long slope of débris, leads to the same place by the beautiful Val de la Gitte, joining the path from the Col de la Saulce.'

The editor goes on to say that the Vaudois on their 'glorieuse rentrée' crossed the 'Col de la Fenêtre, Rte. 150,' passed the Chalet du Mont Jovet, $1\frac{1}{2}$ m. above Nant Borrant, and went on by the Col du Bonhomme. But in Rte. 150 (p. 598) he tells us, 'At the head of the N. branch of the Val de la Gitte is a second Col de la Fenêtre, crossed by the Vaudois in 1689, leading to the little inn of La Barne.' This is inconsistent with the course laid down for the Vaudois in the previous route, which implies that they crossed the more northern Col de la Fenêtre leading from Mégève to Nant Borrant. In the new 'Alpine Guide,' pp. 212 and 214, Mr. Coolidge has corrected this small slip and designated the more N. Col de la Fenêtre 2,263 m. as that crossed by the Vaudois.

IN MEMORIAM.

C. J. ARKLE, M.D., F.R.C.P.

CHARLES JOSEPH ARKLE, a member of this Club since 1886, died from pneumonia on February 22 last, aged only 37 years.

He was educated at the Liverpool College and University College and Hospital, London. He graduated M.B. in 1885 with honours in medicine and forensic medicine, and M.D. in 1887. After filling various responsible positions in University College

Hospital he was appointed in 1892 pathologist and teacher of bacteriology at Charing Cross Hospital. In 1895 he became assistant physician at the same hospital, and in 1897 was appointed to a similar position at the Brompton Hospital for Consumption and Diseases of the Chest. These two last positions he held at the time of his death.

In 1898 he was elected a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians.

His professional career has, however, been treated by others, *e.g.* by notices in the *Times* and the *Lancet*, and members of this Club who knew him and climbed with him wish to think of him less in that capacity than as a mountaineer and a friend.

He was a real lover of the mountains, whose greatest pleasure was to return to them year by year after a hard year's professional work, and, while climbing with his brother, Mr. R. N. Arkle, he had done much good work in various districts.

He had all the best qualities of a mountaineer—great strength and activity—as he had shown not only on the mountains but in the football field as captain of a strong team of the United Hospitals Football Club, and great steadiness, coolness and resolution, proved on many a peak and difficult pass in the Oberland, the Vallais, Dauphiné, the Graians, the Dolomites, and elsewhere.

As a companion no one could be better. Members of this Club know well how a man's qualities are tested during long nights spent in the hut or in the open, and long days spent upon rock, snow, or ice, and tried by these tests there was no better comrade than Dr. Arkle.

Always cheerful and good humoured, he never showed irritation or impatience at any deficiencies of his companions, or any of the difficulties and inconveniences that are from time to time inevitable.

A man of great ability, of many and varied interests, of quick observation and keen sense of humour, a day spent with him either on the mountain or in the valley on an off day was always a pleasure.

He was a staunch and true friend, and to those who knew him well and climbed with him often, a holiday in the Alps without him can never be the same as before.

W. P.

EXHIBITION OF PICTURES OF ICELAND BY W. G. COLLINGWOOD.

THIS exhibition was opened in the Club rooms on March 4 and closed on March 25. It consisted of a very interesting collection of Icelandic landscapes, mostly small water-colour sketches, made on sea and on land, and all illustrating Icelandic scenery with a view to the book on the Sagas which Mr. Collingwood, who has lately become a member of the Club, is writing, and for the purposes of which his visit to the island was undertaken a year or two ago. A considerable proportion of his most successful work was, unfortunately, not available on the present occasion,